

CLAUSES OF TIME

AFTER + noun/pronoun/gerund: después de, **AS:** como, **AS LONG AS:** siempre y cuando.
AS SOON AS: tan pronto como, **BEFORE:** antes, **BY THE TIME (THAT):** cuando,
THE MOMENT(THAT): en el momento, **SINCE:** como, **TILL/UNTIL:** hasta
WHEN/ WHENEVER: cuando, **WHILE:** mientras, **THEN:** entonces

EXAMPLES: - We won't go out **until** it stops raining.
- **It's a long time** since we **went** to a concert.
- **After** going to the cinema, we had a sandwich.

CLAUSES OF CAUSE

- 1. BECAUSE:** • We use it when we answer a question: Why are they happy?
Because they've won the lottery.
• **not because..... but because :** He learned Italian **not because** he wanted to live in Italy **but because** he wanted to teach it.
• **Because:** He managed to lift the heavy box **because** he was strong.
- 2. SINCE / AS :** (ya que, como)
• **Since** he was very strong, he managed to lift the box.
• **As** he was very strong, he managed to lift the box.
- 3. OTHER EXPRESSIONS:** owing to/ due to (debido a); **because of** (a causa de); **be caused by** (ser originado por); **the cause of** (la causa de).

CLAUSES OF PURPOSE

1. TO/ IN ORDER TO/ SO AS TO + INFINITIVE

My father is working abroad **to earn** more money.
He is studying very hard **in order to pass** his exams.
We worked hard during the summer **so as to buy** a new car.

2. SO (THAT) / IN ORDER THAT + CLAUSE

Today I'll make dinner **so (that)** you can rest.
I'll clean my bedroom **in order that** my mother doesn't get angry with me.

3. OTHER EXPRESSIONS + GERUND:

- **ONE'S MOTIVE IN:** I don't know what **her motives are in asking** that question.
- **WITH THE AIM OF:** He insulted them **with the aim of becoming** famous.
- **WITH A VIEW TO:** they want to see us **with a view to reaching** an agreement.
- **THE PURPOSE OF:** **The purpose of visiting** us was to check everything.

CLAUSES OF CONTRAST

1. **ALTHOUGH/THOUGH:** **Although/ though** it's sunny, the temperature is low.
2. **EVEN THOUGH:** **Even though** he wanted it, he wasn't successful.
3. **IN SPITE OF/DESPITE**(Remember: DESPITE cannot be followed by TO, and IN SPITE OF cannot be followed by a clause)
 - + **GERUND:** **Despite speaking** loudly, I don't understand him.
 - + **NOUN:** We went on holidays **in spite of the weather**.
 - + **THE FACT (THAT)+ CLAUSE:** **Despite the fact** he is a good singer, he didn't win.

CONSECUTIVE CLAUSES

1. **SO:**
 - (**entonces, por eso**):_There was nothing interesting on T.V, **so** I went to bed.
 - +**adj/adv+(that)+main clause:** She ran **so quickly** (that) we couldn't catch her.
 - + **much/many + count./uncount.nouns:** We bought **so much food** (that), we couldn't put it all in the fridge.
2. **SUCH:**
 - + **A/AN + adj + count noun + (that) + main clause:**
Mike's **such an attractive man that** he is very popular among girls.
 - + **adj + count noun/ plural + (that) + main clause:**
They were **such poor people** that they always needed help.
 - + **adj + uncount noun + (that) + main clause:**
It is **such nice weather** that we decided to go to the country.
3. **THEREFORE:** (entonces, por eso):_It was raining, **therefore** we didn't go out.
4. **OTHER EXPRESSIONS : CONSEQUENTLY, AS A RESULT, AS A CONSEQUENCE, THE RESULT OF, THE CONSEQUENCE OF.**